## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 898**

## **SENATE BILL NO. 3024**

By Tracy, Berke, Marrero

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2544

## By Harry Brooks, Williams, Roach

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, relative to school boards.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-17-102, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(d) County, municipal and special school districts shall be considered separate governmental entities and shall be governed by ethical standards established by the board of education of the school district.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-17-105, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) The municipal technical advisory service (MTAS) for municipalities, the county technical assistance service (CTAS) for counties, and the Tennessee School Boards Association (TSBA) for school districts, in order to provide guidance and direction, shall disseminate models of ethical standards for officials and employees of such entities. Such models shall be filed with the commission. Any municipality, county or school district that adopts the ethical standards for officials and employees of local government or school districts promulgated by MTAS, CTAS or TSBA is not required to file such policy with the commission but shall notify the commission in writing that the policy promulgated by MTAS, CTAS or TSBA was adopted and the date such action was taken.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 24, 2008

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMM NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 12th day of April 2008

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR